# **AFCARS Reporting**

# **Entering and Correcting AFCARS Data in eWiSACWIS**

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### 1. Introduction

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Children's Bureau (CB) is responsible for the implementation and management of the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS). State and Tribal Title IV-E agencies are required to report AFCARS case-level information on all children in foster care and children who have been adopted with Title IV-E agency involvement (per §479 of the Social Security Act).

eWiSACWIS stores 186 Foster Care data elements and 19 adoption elements for children in out-of-home care, children who exit out-of-home care to adoption or legal guardianship, and children who are covered by a Title IV-E Adoption or Guardianship Assistance Agreement. From this data, eWiSACWIS creates a file for sending Wisconsin's AFCARS data required by ACF to the Federal government.

In order to ensure that all of the data has been entered for the required AFCARS elements, eWiSACWIS runs daily batch processes to determine which children have errors; i.e. are missing required data. The missing data/errors then display on the AFCARS Errors page for the specific child. Please note that this page is specific to elements required for reporting; i.e. errors for data not required by ACF will not produce an error.

Many AFCARS errors can be corrected directly on the AFCARS Errors page. Included in this document are two separate tables (one for Foster Care Elements and one for Adoption/Guardianship Elements) with details about the required elements including the name and number of the element, the information reported to AFCARS, the message that will display on the AFCARS Errors page, where the error can be corrected, and the eWiSACWIS page where the element is located.

Any worker assigned to the case of a child who has AFCARS foster care errors can open the AFCARS Errors page to view and update that child's AFCARS data. In addition, supervisors with the proper security can open the AFCARS Errors page of any child to view and update the child's AFCARS data on the page without an assignment to the child's case. Workers without adoption security will see a message that states: "There are additional AFCARS errors related to adoption that are not displayed for your security profile."

For certain elements, the AFCARS Foster Care and Adoption/Guardianship Subsidy batch processes will generate Tasks to the primary worker (or, if not present, the earliest supervisor) for each child with AFCARS errors. These batch processes will also delete Tasks when the child no longer has errors and reassign Tasks when the worker assigned to the Task no longer has an open assignment to the case.

In addition to details about the AFCARS Errors page and correcting the errors, this document includes a Data Entry points section which provides screen shots of the pages in eWiSACWIS where AFCARS fields are located, regardless of whether the data in those fields is sent to AFCARS. Please refer to the eWiSACWIS Knowledge Web (using the link below) for additional information related to AFCARS - <a href="https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/knowledgeweb/training/user-guides-and-manuals/afcars">https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/knowledgeweb/training/user-guides-and-manuals/afcars</a>.

For ACF Federal AFCARS related information, please click here.

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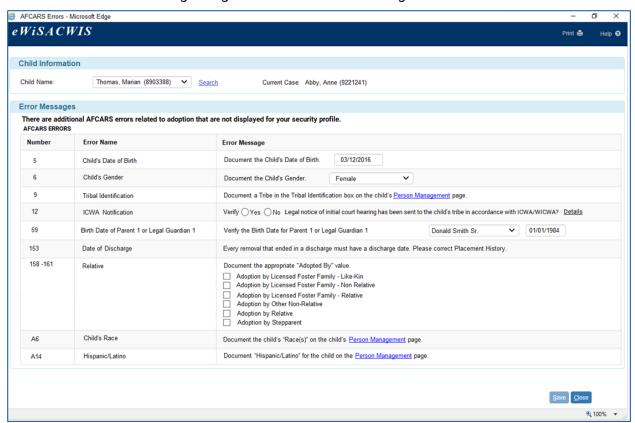
### 1.1 AFCARS Errors page

AFCARS regulations require Title IV-E agencies to collect and report data to ACF on children in out-of-home care, children who exit out-of-home care to adoption or legal guardianship, and children who are covered by a Title IV-E Adoption or Guardianship Assistance Agreement.

The AFCARS Errors page displays error messages for fields in eWiSACWIS where data is missing for the specific child. The worker needs to correct these errors to ensure the correct information is sent to ACF (Administration for Children and Families).

On the AFCARS Errors page, some of the fields can be corrected directly on the page. Some fields have hyperlinks which the worker can use to launch the page where the error can be corrected. For AFCARS Foster Care errors, fields such as Date of Birth can be edited on the page, while more complex dates such as Mother's Termination of Parental Rights (TPR) cannot be edited directly on the page. For AFCARS Adoption errors, fields such as Race and Date of Birth of the adoptive mother can be edited on the page, while more complex information, such as 'IV-E eligibility status' cannot be edited directly on the page.

When errors exist for the more complex information, the AFCARS Errors page provides the worker with instructions regarding how to correct the missing data.



When all the errors on the page have been corrected and no other errors exist, "No errors exist for this child" displays.

When all of the errors have been corrected on the AFCARS Errors page and the page is saved, if no other errors exist for this participant, the AFCARS task for the participant is deleted.

**Note**: The AFCARS Errors page has the following security features. For a worker to search out a child and view/update AFCARS information about that child, the worker must have an open

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assignment to the case in which the child's AFCARS placement exists. For example, assume that a child is a participant in two cases in eWiSACWIS. Let us further assume that the child has an AFCARS placement, which has errors, in the first case, but not in the second case. In this example, a worker must have an open assignment to the first case to access the child's information on the AFCARS Errors page because this is the case in which the AFCARS placement exists.

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## 2. AFCARS Error Messages and Correction Information

eWiSACWIS captures AFCARS-related data for 186 Out-of-Home Care Elements and 19 Adoption and Guardianship Assistance Elements. Only those AFCARS elements where reporting the data is required by the Federal government display in the first two tables below. The elements in the first two tables are the only AFCARS elements users would receive errors for on the AFCARS Errors page.

Please note the following characteristics of the Foster Care and Adoption/Guardianship Error Messages tables:

- Number This is the AFCARS assigned number associated with the element.
- AFCARS Element Name The name of the AFCARS element.
- AFCARS Error Message the validation message user will see on the AFCARS Errors page.
- **Definition** this column briefly explains what information is being sent to the Federal Government.
- Where can error be corrected some of the validations can be corrected directly on the AFCARS Errors page. This column supplies worker with alternate locations where errors can be corrected.
- eWiSACWIS Field(s) specific field(s) where AFCARS data is documented.

Note: Foster Care Error messages that require Adoption Security in order to view the error(s) on the AFCARS Errors page will include a note in the AFCARS Error Message column

**Note**: Foster Care Error messages that can be deleted by supervisor if no other required errors exist is also noted in the AFCARS Error Message column.

### 2.1 Foster Care Error Messages

Number	AFCARS Element	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
	Name				
5	Child's Date of	Message: Document the	Report the date of birth	AFCARS Errors page or Person	Person Management
	Birth:	Child's Date of Birth	for the child.	Management > Basic tab	Basic tab, Birth Date:
6	Child's Sex:	Message: Document the	Report the gender of	AFCARS Errors page or Person	Person Management
		Child's Gender.	the Foster Care child.	Management > Basic tab	Basic tab <b>, Gender:</b>

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Number	AFCARS Element Name	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
7	Agency Made Inquires	Message: Every child placed out of home must have an ICWA record to document that the agency made an inquiry whether child has American Indian or Alaska Native heritage. Please create an ICWA Record for the child.	Report Yes if record exists or No if record doesn't exist	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > ICWA > ICWA record	ICWA record
9	Federally Recognized Tribe	Message: Document a Tribe in the Tribal Identification box on the child's Person Management page.	Report the value if Status = Member or Eligible for Membership, not a member.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management Basic tab, Indian Tribe
11	Date of Determination that ICWA Applies	Message: Document the "Date confirmation was received from tribe" on the child's Person Management page.	Report Date entered if person has a row in the group box where Status indicates "Member", or "Eligible for membership, not a member".	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management Basic tab, Date Confirmation was received from Tribe
12	ICWA Notification	Message: Verify the child's ICWA Notification.	Report response to 'Legal notice of initial court hearing has been sent to the child's tribe in accordance with ICWA/WICWA?'	AFCARS Errors page	ICWA Summary tab, Legal group box
13-18, 20	Child's Race	Message: Document the child's "Race(s)" on the child's Person Management page.	Report Yes or No based on the selected race(s) of the child.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management Basic tab, Race:

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Number	AFCARS Element Name	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
21	Hispanic/Latino	Message: Document "Hispanic/Latino" for the child on the Person Management page.	Report the Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity designation of the child.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management Basic tab, Hispanic/Latino:
24-34	Specific Health, Behavioral, or Mental Health Needs	Message: Update the "Health, Behavioral, or Mental Health Needs" field(s) on the child's Person Management page.	Report if Person has a clinically diagnosed condition ='Yes' and associated checkbox checked.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Characteristics tab	Person Management, Characteristics tab
36	Highest Educational Level Completed	Message: Update the "Highest Grade Level Completed" on the child's Person Management page.	Report the value based on drop down selection.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Education tab	Person Management, Education tab, Highest Grade Level Completed:
41	Prior Adoption	Message: Document the child's prior adoption history on the Basic tab of Person Management page for the child.	Report the value based on drop down selection.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management, Basic tab, Child was previously Adopted or Child is currently, or was previously, Abandoned
42	Prior Adoption Date	Message: Document the child's prior adoption history on the Basic tab of Person Management page for the child.	Report the date entered	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management, Basic tab, Date of Adoption Finalization
43	Prior Adoption Type - Intercountry	Message: Document the child's prior adoption history on the Basic tab of Person Management page for the child.	Report the value based on drop down selection	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management, Basic tab, Type of Adoption

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Number	AFCARS Element Name	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
44	Prior Guardianship	Message: Document the child's prior guardianship history on the Basic tab of Person Management page for the child.	Report the value based on drop down selection.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management, Basic tab, Child was previously Adopted or Child is currently, or was previously, Abandoned
45	Prior Guardianship Date	Message: Document the child's prior guardianship history on the Basic tab of Person Management page for the child.	Report the date entered	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management, Basic tab, Date Guardianship Established
59	Year of Birth of Parent 1 or Legal Guardian 1	Message: Verify the Year of Birth for Parent 1 or Legal Guardian 1.	Report the Year of birth for the child's Parent 1 or Legal Guardian 1.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Parent Info tab	Person Management Basic tab, Birth Date:
60	Year of Birth of Parent 2 or Legal Guardian 2	Message: Verify the Year of Birth for Parent 2 or Legal Guardian 2.	Report the Year of birth for the child's Parent 2 or Legal Guardian 2.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Parent Info tab	Person Management Basic tab, Birth Date:
63	Termination of Parental Rights for Parent 1	Message: Document the Termination of Parental Rights for Parent 1 on the child's Legal Record.	Report the value based on Legal Action Initiated and Legal Status, Applies To	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Legal > Legal Record	Legal Action, Legal Action Initiated: and Legal Status, Applies To:
64	Termination of Parental Rights for Parent 2	Message: Document the Termination of Parental Rights for Parent 2 on the child's Legal Record.	Report the value based on Legal Action Initiated and Legal Status, Applies To	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Legal > Legal Record	Legal Action, Legal Action Initiated: and Legal Status, Applies To:
65	Date of Termination of Parental Rights Petition for Parent 1	Message: Document the date of the Termination of Parental Rights Petition for Parent 1 on the child's Legal Record.	Report the date for the first parent from element 63	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Legal > Legal Record	Legal Action, Legal Action, Filed:

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Number	AFCARS Element Name	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
66	Date of Termination of Parental Rights Petition for Parent 2	Message: Document the date of the Termination of Parental Rights Petition for Parent 2 on the child's Legal Record.	Report the date for the second parent from element 64	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Legal > Legal Record	Legal Action, Legal Action, Filed:
67	Date of Termination of Parental Rights for Parent 1	Message: Document the date of the Termination of Parental Rights for Parent 1 on the Legal Record.	Report the date for the first parent from element 63	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Legal > Legal Record	Legal Status , Hearing/Legal Status Date
68	Date of Termination of Parental Rights for Parent 2	Message: Document the date of the Termination of Parental Rights for Parent 2 on the Legal Record.	Report the date for the second parent from element 64	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Legal > Legal Record	Legal Status , Hearing/Legal Status Date
123	Foster Parent(s) Marital Status	Message: Verify the Marital Status of the Foster Parent(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.	Report the selected value.	Home Provider > Home tab > Additional Information section > Marital Status	Home Provider, Home tab, Marital Status:
125	Year of Birth for the First Foster Parent	Message: Verify the Marital Status of the Foster Parent(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.	Report the birth year of the child's Foster Parent 1 (Provider Member Role = Parent 1). Placement setting of Foster Family Home.	Person Management for Parent 1 > Basic tab > Basic section > Birth Date	Home Provider, Members tab, Parent 1 DOB
127-133	Race of First Foster Parent	Message: Verify the Race(s) of the Foster Parent(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.	Report the race(s) of the child's Foster Parent 1 ( Provider Member Role = Parent 1); Placement setting of Foster Family Home.	Person Management for Parent 1 > Basic tab > Race/Ethnicity section > Race	Person Management, Basic tab, <b>Race</b> :

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Number	AFCARS Element Name	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
134	Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity of First Foster Parent	Message: Verify this information for the Foster Parent(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.	Report the Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity designation of the child's Foster Parent 1 ( Provider Member Role = Parent 1). Placement setting of Foster Family Home.	Person Management for Parent 1 > Basic tab > Race/Ethnicity section > Hispanic/Latino	Person Management Basic tab, Hispanic/Latino:
135	Sex of First Foster Parent	Message: Verify this information for the Foster Parent(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.	Report the Gender of First Foster Parent; (Provider Member Role = Parent 1) and Placement setting of Foster Family Home.	Person Management for Parent 1 > Basic tab > Basic section > Gender	Person Management, Basic tab, <b>Gender:</b>
136	Year of Birth for Second Foster Parent	Message: Verify this information for the Foster Parent(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.	Report the birth year of the child's Foster Parent 2 (Provider Member Role = Parent 2) and Placement setting of Foster Family Home.	Person Management for Parent 2 > Basic tab > Basic section > Birth Date	Home Provider, Members tab, Parent 2 DOB
138-144	Race of Second Foster Parent	Message: Verify this information for the Foster Parent(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.	Report the race(s) of the child's Foster Parent 2 ( Provider Member Role = Parent 2); Placement setting of Foster Family Home.	Person Management for Parent 2 > Basic tab > Race/Ethnicity section > Race	Person Management, Basic tab, <b>Race</b> :

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Number	AFCARS Element Name	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
145	Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity of Second Foster Parent	Message: Verify this information for the Foster Parent(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.	Report the Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity designation of the child's Foster Parent 2 ( Provider Member Role = Parent 2). Placement setting of Foster Family Home.	Person Management for Parent 2 > Basic tab > Race/Ethnicity section > Hispanic/Latino	Person Management Basic tab, Hispanic/Latino:
146	Sex of Second Foster Parent	Message: Verify this information for the Foster Parent(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.	Report the Gender of Second Foster Parent; ; for Provider Member with Role = Parent 2 and Yes for Element 113 - Foster Family Home.	Person Management for Parent 2 > Basic tab > Basic section > Gender	Person Management, Basic tab, <b>Gender:</b>
147	Date of Permanency Plan	Message: After 60 days in OHC, a Permanency Plan is required. Every 6 months in OHC, a new Permanency Plan is required.  Note: a supervisor can delete this error if no other required errors exist.	Report the Plan Date of each Permanency Plan for the child that is established during the reporting period.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Case/Perm Plan	Case/Permanency Plan, Plan Date:

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Number	AFCARS Element	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
148	Name Permanency Plan	Message: After 60 days in OHC, a Permanency Plan with a CURRENT Permanence Goal is required. Every 6 months in OHC, new Permanency Plan with a CURRENT Goal is required.  Note: a supervisor can delete this error if no other required errors exist.	Report the Current Permanency Goal for each Permanency Plan Date (Element 147). If Permanency Plan is 'Original' then report the Proposed Permanency Goal.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Case/Perm Plan	Case/Permanency Plan, Permanency tab
149	Date of Periodic Review	Message: Document the most recent Permanency Review for the child. Note: a supervisor can delete this error if no other required errors exist.	Report the date	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Case/Perm Plan	Permanency Review or Hearing, Date of Hearing/Review, when the Type is Permanency Review (6 Month).
150	Date of Permanency Hearing	Message: Please document most recent Permanency Hearing for child. Note: a supervisor can delete this error if no other required errors exist.	Report the date	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Case/Perm Plan	Permanency Review or Hearing, Date of Hearing/Review, when the Type is Permanency Hearing (12 Month)
153	Date of Exit	Message: Every removal that ended in a discharge must have a discharge date. Please correct Placement History.	Report the end date.	Service Ending page	Service ending page, End Date: for every placement that ended in a discharge.

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Number	AFCARS Element Name	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
155	Exit Reason	Message: The Discharge Reason is missing for the Out of Home Placement. Review the placement ending for the appropriate discharge reason.	Report the AFCARS value	Service Ending page	Service ending page, Discharge Reason: for every placement that ends in a discharge; includes discharges that occurred prior to 10/1/2022.
156	Transfer to Another Agency	Message: When the Discharge Reason is Transfer to Another Agency, the type of agency must be documented.	Report the value based on selected Discharge Reason	AFCARS Errors page	Service ending page, Ending Purpose =" Discharge from Placement Episode" AND End Reason is one of the following: - 'Child in Correctional Fac. NO Aftercare', - 'Cstdy Trans to DHS/Other Inst/non- corret', - 'Transfer to Adult Care', - 'Custody Transfer to Licensed Priv Agency', 'Not reported if discharged prior to 10/1/2022.

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Number	AFCARS Element Name	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
157	Marital Status of the Adoptive Parent(s) or Guardian(s)	Message: Verify this information for the Adoptive Parent(s) or Guardian(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.  Note: Adoption Security required to view errors.	Report the selected value	Service Ending page > "What is the marital status of the adoptive parent(s)/guardian(s)?" question	Service ending page, 'What is the marital status of the adoptive parent(s)/guardian(s)?' (dynamically displays when the End Reason is Private Adoption, Adoption SNAP, Transfer of Guardianship/Rel, or Transfer of Guardianship/Non-Rel.)
158-161	Child's Relationship to the Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Message: Document the appropriate "Adopted By" value. Note: Adoption Security required to view errors.	Report the AFCARS value	AFCARS Errors page	Case Closure, Adopted By page checkbox;  If placement Discharge Reason= Adoption or Guardianship.
162	Date of Birth of First Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Message: Verify this information for the Adoptive Parent(s) or Guardian(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.  Note: Adoption Security required to view errors.	Report the date of birth of the First parent for the Child in the Adoptive Home case.	Person Management for Adoptive Parent/Guardian 1 > Basic tab > Basic section > Birth Date	Person Management, Basic tab: <b>Birth Date:</b>
164-170	Race of First Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Message: Verify this information for the Adoptive Parent(s) or Guardian(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.  Note: Adoption Security required to view errors.	Report the race(s) for the first parent, based on the ID of the Child in the Adoptive Home case.	Person Management for Adoptive Parent/Guardian 1 > Basic tab > Race/Ethnicity section > Race	Person Management, Basic tab: Race:

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Number	AFCARS Element Name	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
171	Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity of First Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Message: Verify this information for the Adoptive Parent(s) or Guardian(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.  Note: Adoption Security required to view errors.	Report the Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity designation of the child's First Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Person Management for Adoptive Parent/Guardian 1 > Basic tab > Race/Ethnicity section > Hispanic/Latino	Person Management Basic tab, Hispanic/Latino:
172	Sex of First Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Message: Verify this information for the Adoptive Parent(s) or Guardian(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.	Report the gender of the first Adoptive parent, based on ID of Child ID in the Adoptive Home case;	Person Management for Adoptive Parent/Guardian 1 > Basic tab > Basic section > Gender	Person Management, Basic tab, <b>Gender:</b>
173	Date of birth of Second Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Message: Verify this information for the Adoptive Parent(s) or Guardian(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.  Note: Adoption Security required to view errors.	Report the date of birth of the Second Adoptive parent for the Child in the Adoptive Home case.	Person Management for Adoptive Parent/Guardian 2 > Basic tab > Basic section > Birth Date	Person Management, Basic tab, <b>Birth Date</b> :
175-181	Race of Second Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Message: Verify this information for the Adoptive Parent(s) or Guardian(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.  Note: Adoption Security required to view errors.	Report the race(s) for the second parent, based on the ID of Child in the Adoptive Home case.	Person Management for Adoptive Parent/Guardian 2 > Basic tab > Race/Ethnicity section > Race	Person Management, Basic tab, <b>Race</b> :

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Number	AFCARS Element Name	AFCARS Error Message	Definition	Where can error be corrected?	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
182	Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity of Second Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Message: Verify this information for the Adoptive Parent(s) or Guardian(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.  Note: Adoption Security required to view errors.	Report the Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity designation of the child's Second Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Person Management for Adoptive Parent/Guardian 2 > Basic tab > Race/Ethnicity section > Hispanic/Latino	Person Management Basic tab, Hispanic/Latino:
183	Sex of Second Adoptive Parent or Guardian	Message: Verify this information for the Adoptive Parent(s) or Guardian(s). Please contact the Foster Care Coordinator to update.  Note: Adoption Security required to view errors.	Report the sex of the second Adoptive parent, based on ID of Child ID in the Adoptive Home case	Person Management for Adoptive Parent/Guardian 2 > Basic tab > Basic section > Gender	Person Management, Basic tab, <b>Gender:</b>
186	Siblings in Adoptive or Guardianship Home	Message: Please verify how many of the child's siblings reside in the adoptive or guardianship home.  Note: Adoption Security required to view errors.	Report the AFCARS value based on selected value.	AFCARS Errors page	Service Ending page, 'How many of the child's siblings reside in the adoptive or guardianship home?'  Field dynamically displays when the End Reason is Private Adoption, Adoption SNAP or Guardianship/Rel, Guardianship/Non-Rel.

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# 2.2 Adoption and Guardian Assistance Error Messages

Number	AFCARS	AFCARS Errors	Definition	Where error can be corrected	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
	Element Name	Message			
A5	Child's Sex	<b>Message:</b> Document the Child's Gender.	Report the gender of the child.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management Basic tab, <b>Gender:</b>
A6-A11, A13	Race	Message: Document the child's "Race(s)" on the child's Person Management page.	Report Yes or No based on the selected race(s) of the child.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management Basic tab, <b>Race</b> :
A14	Hispanic or Latino Origin	Message: Document "Hispanic/Latino" for the child on the Person Management page.	Report the Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity designation of the child	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Person Management > Basic tab	Person Management Basic tab, Hispanic/Latino:
A15	Assistance Agreement Type	Message: Please document the missing Assistance Agreement type for this child.	Report the AFCARS value	Create Casework > Agreements/Notices	If Open Adoption Assistance or Subsidized Guardianship Agreement exists [i.e., no end date] and adoption or SG eligibility status is Federal.
A17	Adoption Finalization or Guardianship Legalization Date	Message: Please document the Adoption Finalization or Guardianship Legalization Date on the Legal Record page.	Report the date.	AFCARS Errors page <b>or</b> Create Casework > Legal > Legal Record	Adoption: date from the Child's Legal Status page where Legal Action is Adoption Petition and the 'Legal Status' is Adoption Finalized.

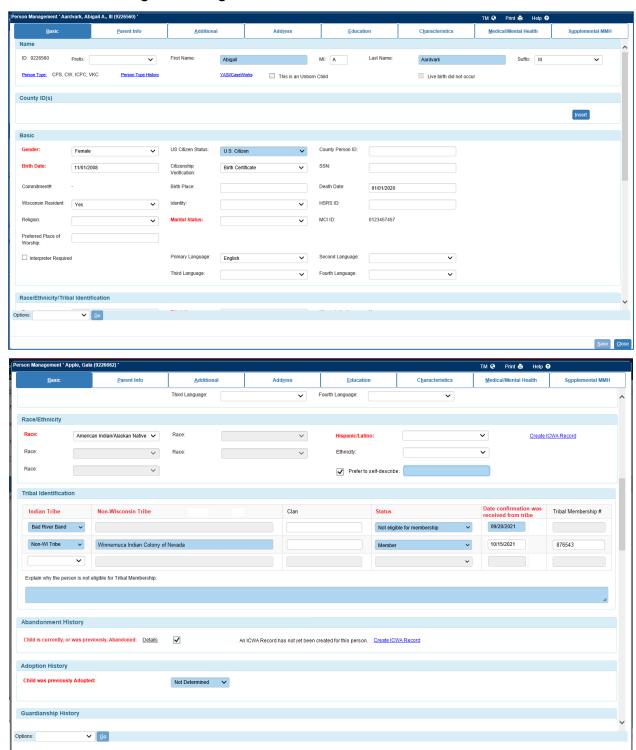
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Number	AFCARS	AFCARS Errors	Definition	Where error can be corrected	eWiSACWIS Field(s)
	Element Name	Message			
					SG: date from the Child's Legal Status page where Legal Action is Subsidized Guardianship and the 'Legal Status' is Guard. to Relative/Caretaker (48.977).

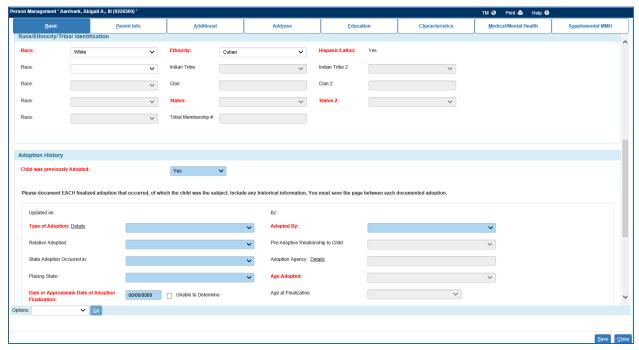
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### 3. AFCARS Data Entry points

## 3.1 Person Management Page – Basic Tab



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eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS	Element Name
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Note: AFCARS element numbers preceded by '	A' are Adopti	
Gender	6	Child's Sex
Gender	A5	
	135	Sex of First Foster Parent
	146	Sex of Second Foster Parent
	172	Sex of First Adoptive Parent or Guardian
	183	Sex of Second Adoptive Parent or Guardian
Birth Date	5	Child's Date of Birth
Diffit Date	A4	
	59	Year of Birth of Parent 1 or Legal Guardian 1
	60	Year of Birth of Parent 2 or Legal Guardian 2
	162	Date of Birth of First Adoptive Parent or
	.02	Guardian
	173	Date of birth of Second Adoptive Parent or
Manital Otatus	/	Guardian
Marital Status	n/a	n/a
Race/Ethnicity group box	13-18	American Indian or Alaska Native
	13-10	Asian
		Black or African American
Race	A6-11	
	A0-11	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
		White
	20	Race Unknown Race Declined
	A13	Race Declined
	127 - 133	Race First Foster Parent
	138 - 144	Race Second Foster Parent
	164 - 170	Race First Adoptive Parent or Guardian
	175 - 181	Race Second Adoptive Parent or Guardian -
	1/3-101	American Indian or Alaska Native
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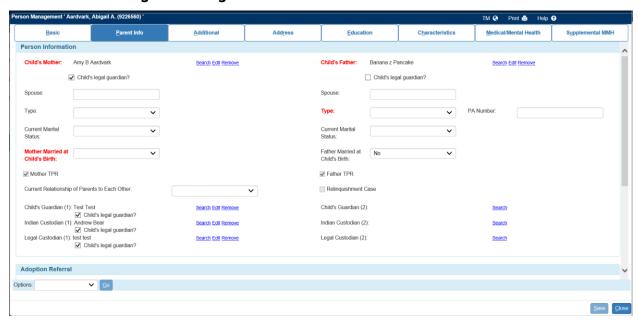
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Child is currently, or was previously,	19	Race Abandoned
abandoned	A12	
	21	Hispanic/Latino
Hispanic/Latino		
	A14	
	134	Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity of First Foster
		Parent
	145	Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity of Second Foster Parent
	171	Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity of First Adoptive Parent
	182	Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity of Second Adoptive Parent
Tribal Identification group box		
Indian Tribe	9	Federally Recognized Tribe
Non-Wisconsin Tribe	8	Child's Tribal Membership
Status	10	Application of ICWA
	61	Tribal Membership Mother
	62	Tribal Membership Father
	126	Tribal Membership of First Foster Parent
	137	Tribal Membership of Second Foster Parent
	163	Tribal Membership of First Adoptive Parent or
		Guardian
	174	Tribal Membership of Second Adoptive Parent or Guardian
Date Confirmation was received from Tribe	11	Date of Determination that ICWA Applies
Abandonment History group box		
Child is currently, or was previously, Abandoned	41	Prior Adoption
Adoption History group box	•	
Child was previously Adopted	41	Prior Adoption
Type of Adoption:	43	Prior Adoption Intercountry
Date or Approximate Date of Adoption	42	Prior Adoption Date
Finalization:	44	
Adopted By:	n/a	
Age Adopted:	n/a	
Guardianship History group box		
Child was previously in a Guardianship (not	44	Prior Guardianship
including Guardianship to DCF):		
Date Guardianship Established:	45	Prior Guardianship Date

Note: In general, a child's race and ethnicity are determined by the child, the child's parent(s), or legal guardian(s). A person's race and ethnicity are determined by how they define themselves. In the case of a young child, a parent or legal guardian determines the race and ethnicity of the child. The agency may not determine the child's race and/or ethnicity.

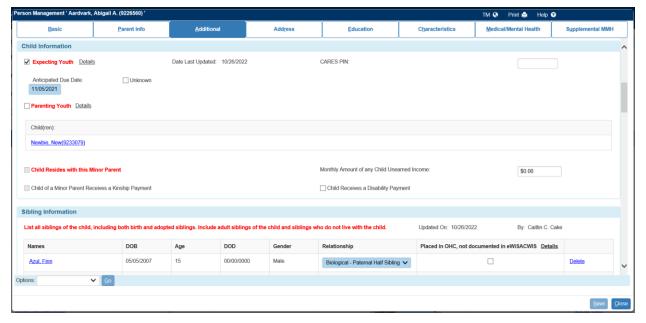
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## 3.2 Person Management Page - Parent Info Tab



eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name		
Person Information group box				
Child's Mother	n/a	n/a		
Child's Father	n/a	n/a		
Туре	n/a	n/a		
Mother Married at Child's Birth	n/a	n/a		

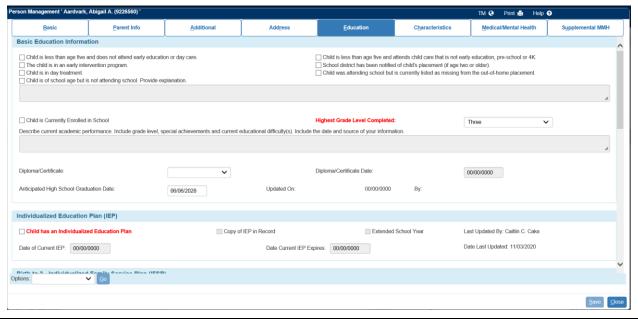
# 3.3 Person Management, Additional tab



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eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Child Information group box		
<b>Expecting Youth</b>	38	Pregnant
Parenting Youth	39	Ever Fathered or Bore Children
<b>Child Resides with this Minor Parent</b>	40	Child and his/her Child(ren) Placed Together
Sibling Information group box		
List all siblings of the child, including both birth and adopted siblings. Include adult siblings of the child and siblings who do not live with the child. List all siblings of the child, including both birth and adopted siblings. Include adult siblings of the child and siblings who do not live with the child.	56	Total Number of Siblings
	57	Siblings in Foster Care
	58	Siblings in Living Arrangement

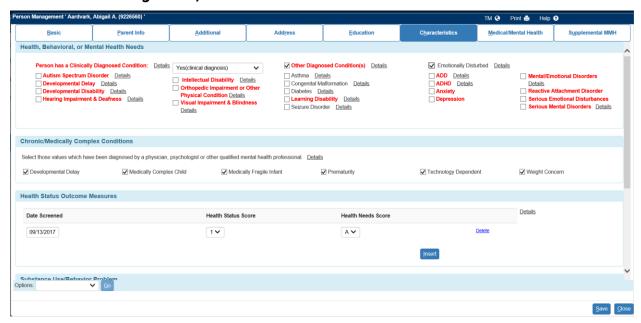
## 3.4 Person Management, Education tab



eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Basic Education Information group box		
Highest Grade Level Completed	36	Highest Educational Level Completed
Individualized Education Plan (IEP) group box		
Child has an Individualized Education Plan	37	Special Education
Birth to 3 - Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) group box		
Child has an Individualized Family Service Plan	37	Special Education
School History group box		
	35	School Enrollment

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## 3.5 Person Management, Characteristics tab



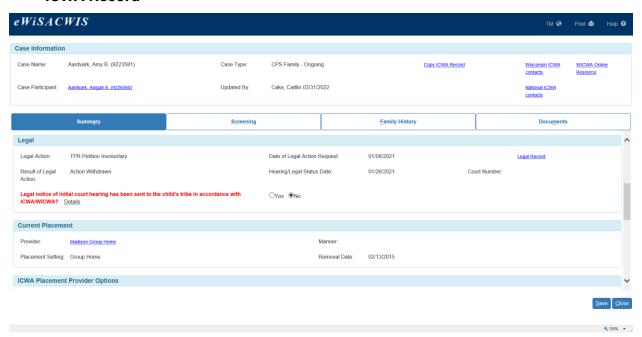
**Note:** A <u>Details</u> flare is associated with each element displaying the definition of the clinically diagnosed disability.

eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Heath, Behavioral, or Mental Health Needs grou		
Person has a Clinically Diagnosed Condition:	23	Health Conditions
Autism Spectrum Disorder	25	Autism Spectrum Disorder
Developmental Delay	32	Developmental Delay
Developmental Disability	33	Developmental Disability
Hearing Impairment & Deafness	27	Hearing Impairment and Deafness
Intellectual Disability	24	Intellectual Disability
Orthopedic Impairment or Other Physical	28	Orthopedic Impairment or Other Physical
Condition	20	Condition
Visual Impairment & Blindness	26	Visual Impairment and Blindness
Other Diagnosed Condition(s)	34	Other Diagnosed Condition
Learning Disability	n/a	n/a
ADD	30	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
ADHD	30	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
Anxiety	29	Mental/Emotional Disorders
Depression	31	Serious Mental Disorders
Mental/Emotional Disorders	29	Mental/Emotional Disorders
Reactive Attachment Disorder	29	Mental/Emotional Disorders
Serious Emotional Disturbances	31	Serious Mental Disorders
Serious Mental Disorders	31	Serious Mental Disorders
Substance Use/Behavior Problem group box		
Alcohol and Freq	n/a	n/a
Drugs and Freq	n/a	n/a
Tobacco and Freq	n/a	n/a
Marijuana and Freq	n/a	n/a
Solvents and Freq	n/a	n/a

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Behavior Problems	n/a	n/a	
Primary Caretaker(s) Information group box			
Learning Disability	n/a	n/a	
Alcohol Abuse	n/a	n/a	
Drug Abuse	n/a	n/a	

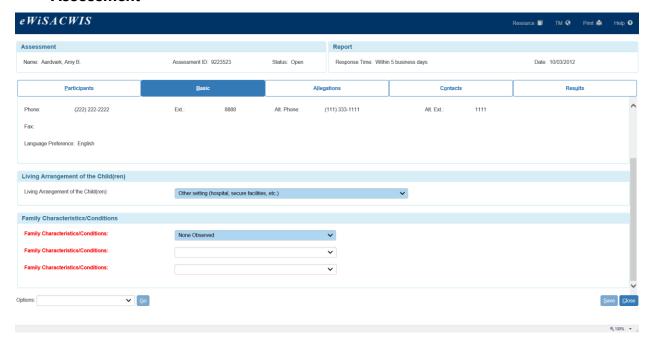
### 3.6 ICWA Record



eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Creation of ICWA record	7	Agency Made Inquiries
Summary tab, Legal group box		
Legal notice of initial court hearing has been sent to the child's tribe in accordance with ICWA/WICWA?	12	Notification ICWA

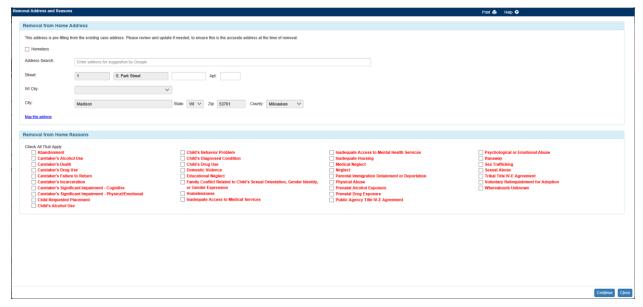
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#### 3.7 Assessment



eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name	
Basic tab, Family Characteristics/Conditions group box			
Family Characteristics/Conditions	n/a	n/a	

## 3.8 Removal Address and Reasons page: from OOH Placement page, Decision Summary tab



eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS	Element Name
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Removal from Home Reasons group box		
Abandonment	80	Abandonment
Caretaker's Alcohol Use	82	Caretaker's Alcohol Use
Caretaker's Death	92	Death of Caretaker
Caretaker's Drug Use	83	Caretaker's Drug Use

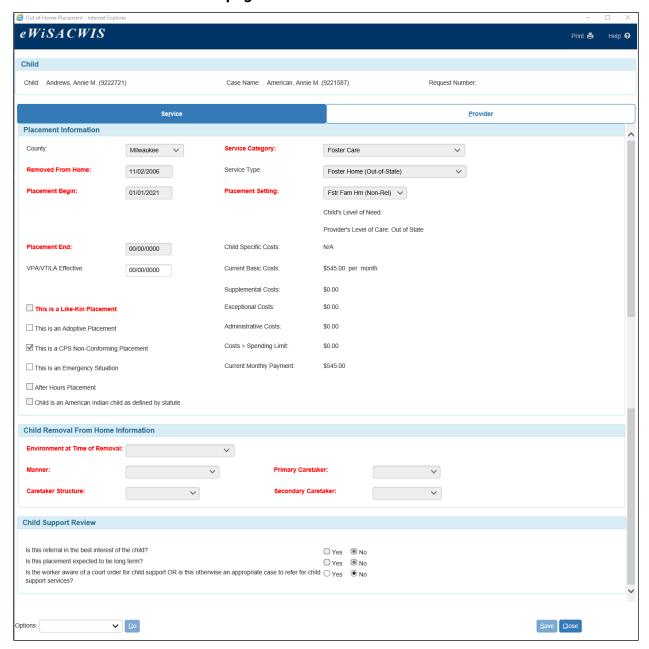
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Caretaker's Failure to Return	81	Caretaker's Failure to Return
Caretaker's Incarceration	93	Incarceration of Caretaker
Caretaker's Significant Impairment - Cognitive	95	Caretaker's Significant Impairment - Cognitive
Caretaker's Significant Impairment -	94	Caretaker's Significant Impairment –
Physical/Emotional	94	Physical/Emotional
Child Requested Placement	98	Child Requested Placement
Child's Alcohol Use	84	Child's Alcohol Use
Child's Behavior Problem	91	Child's Behavior Problem
Child's Diagnosed Condition	88	Diagnosed Condition
Child's Drug Use	85	Child's Drug Use
Domestic Violence	79	Domestic Violence
Educational Neglect	102	Educational Neglect
Family Conflict Related to Child's Sexual	101	Family Conflict Related to Child's Sexual
Orientation, Gender Identity, or Gender		Orientation, Gender Identity, or Gender
Expression		Expression
Homelessness	105	Homelessness
Inadequate Access to Medical Services	90	Inadequate Access to Medical Services
Inadequate Access to Mental Health Services	89	Inadequate Access to Mental Health
	09	Services
Inadequate Housing	96	Inadequate Housing
Medical Neglect	78	Medical Neglect
Neglect	77	Neglect
Parental Immigration Detainment or	100	Parental Immigration Detainment or
Deportation	100	Deportation
Physical Abuse	74	Physical Abuse
Prenatal Alcohol Exposure	86	Prenatal Alcohol Exposure
Prenatal Drug Exposure	87	Prenatal Drug Exposure
Public Agency Title IV-E Agreement	103	Public Agency Title IV-E Agreement
Psychological or Emotional Abuse	76	Psychological or Emotional Abuse
Runaway	72	Runaway
Sex Trafficking	99	Sex Trafficking
Sexual Abuse	75	Sexual Abuse
Tribal Title IV-E Agreement	104	Tribal Title IV-E Agreement
Voluntary Relinquishment for Adoption	97	Voluntary Relinquishment for Adoption
Whereabouts Unknown	73	Whereabouts Unknown

**Note:** To ensure reporting accuracy, workers are to check ALL applicable reasons for removal from home. Workers do not need to limit the number of removal reasons checked. The number of reasons checked should reflect all circumstances surrounding the removal of the child from the home.

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### 3.9 Out of Home Placement page



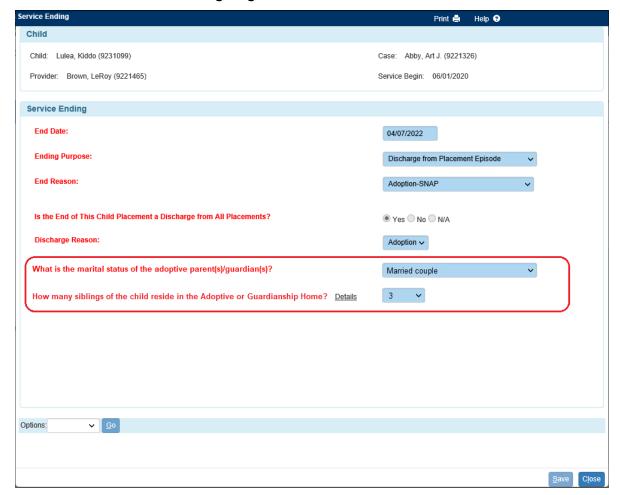
Note: To properly document a child's caretaker(s), a removal (Removed From Home) should not be created in a Pre-Adoptive Child case. Therefore, a removal should be documented in the case a child originated in prior to the Termination of Parental Rights.

eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Service tab	·	
Service Category	n/a	n/a
Removed From Home	69	Date of Child's Removal
Placement Begin	112	Date of Living Arrangement
Placement Setting	113	Foster Family Home
	114	Licensed Home
	115	Therapeutic Foster Family Home
	116	Shelter Care Foster Family Home
	117	Relative Foster Family Home

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	118	Pre-adoptive Home
This is a Like-Kin Placement	119	Kin Foster Family Home
	124	Child's Relationship to the Foster Parent
	120	Other Living Arrangement Type
Provider tab		
	121	Location of Living Arrangement
	122	Jurisdiction or Country Where Child is Living
	184	Intra/Interjurisdictional Adoption or
		Guardianship
Placement End	n/a	n/a
<b>Environment at Time of Removal</b>	71	Environment at Removal
Manner	n/a	n/a
Primary Caretaker	n/a	n/a
Caretaker Structure	n/a	n/a
Secondary Caretaker	n/a	n/a

## 3.10 Placement Service Ending Page

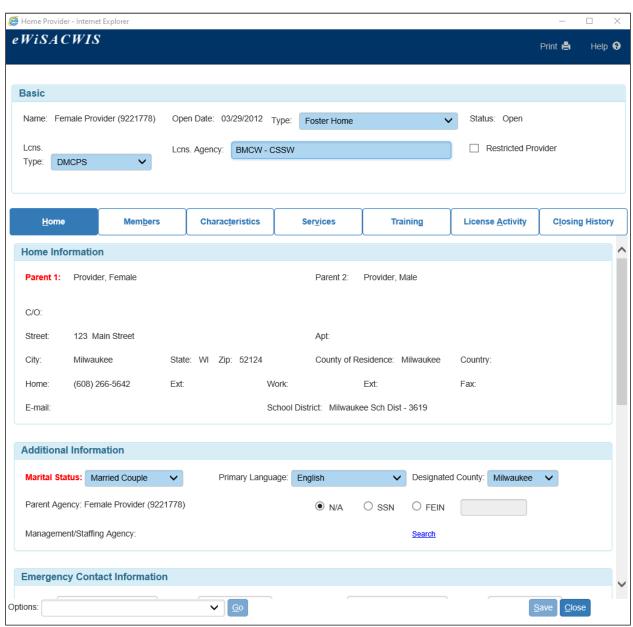


**Note:** For placement episodes that end for reason of adoption, i.e., that are not "Discharged," the discharge information is recorded when an Adoption Finalization date is entered under the child's Legal Status page in eWiSACWIS.

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eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
End Date:	153	Date of Exit
Is the End of This Child Placement a Discharge from All Placements?	154	Transaction Date of Exit
Ending Purpose End Reason	156	Transfer to Another Agency
Discharge Reason	155	Exit Reason
What is the marital status of the adoptive parent(s)/guardian(s)?	157	Marital Status of the Adoptive Parent or Guardian
How many of the child's siblings reside in the adoptive or guardianship home?	186	Siblings in Adoptive or Guardianship Home

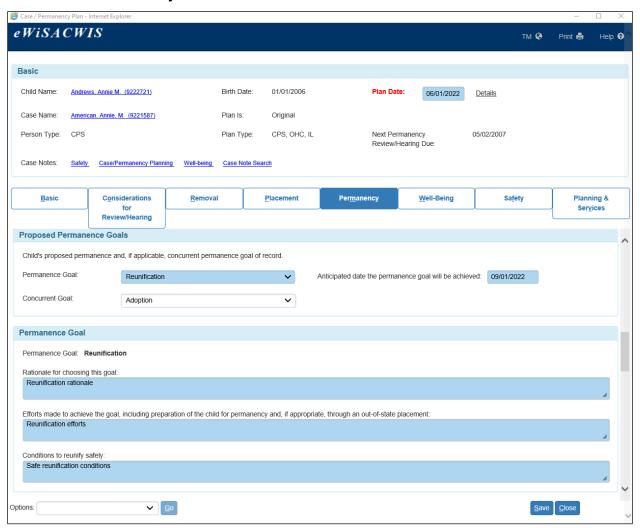
#### 3.11 Home Provider



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eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Home tab		
Parent 1	125	Year of Birth for First Foster Parent
Parent 2	136	Year of Birth for Second Foster Parent
Marital Status	123	Marital Status of the Foster Parent

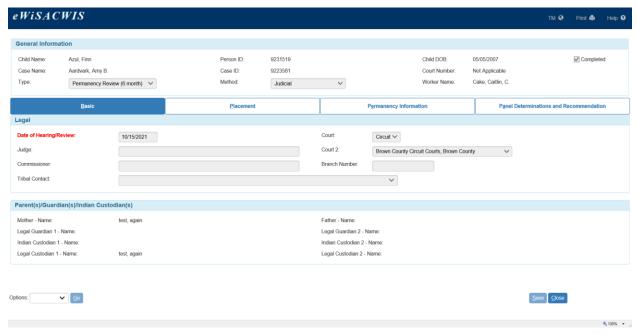
# 3.12 Case/Permanency Plan



eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Plan Date:	147	Date of Permanency Plan
	148	Permanency Plan

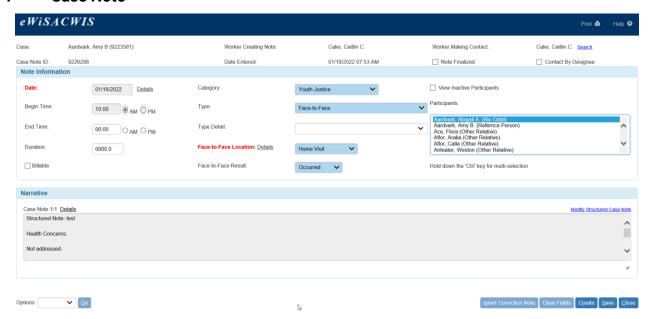
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## 3.13 Case/Permanency Plan Hearing/Review



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Date of Hearing/Review	149	Date of Periodic Review
	150	Date of Permanency Hearing

#### 3.14 Case Note



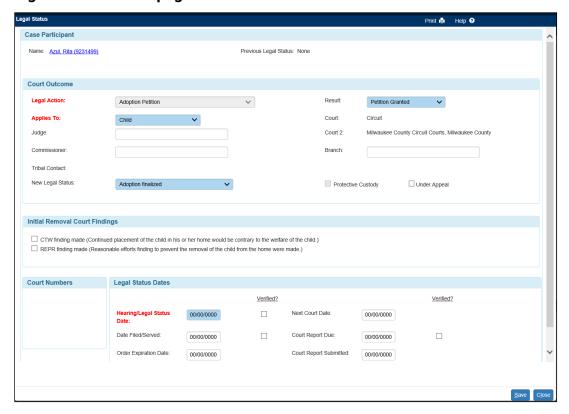
eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Date:	151	Caseworker Visit Dates
Face-to-Face Location:	152	Caseworker Visit Location

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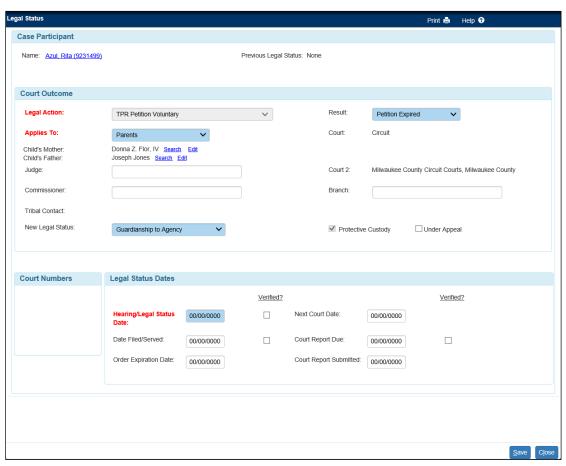
# 3.15 Case Closure, Adopted By page

eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS	Element Name
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Adopted By:	158	Relative
	159	Kin
	160	Non-Relative
	161	Foster Parent

# 3.16 Legal Action/Status page



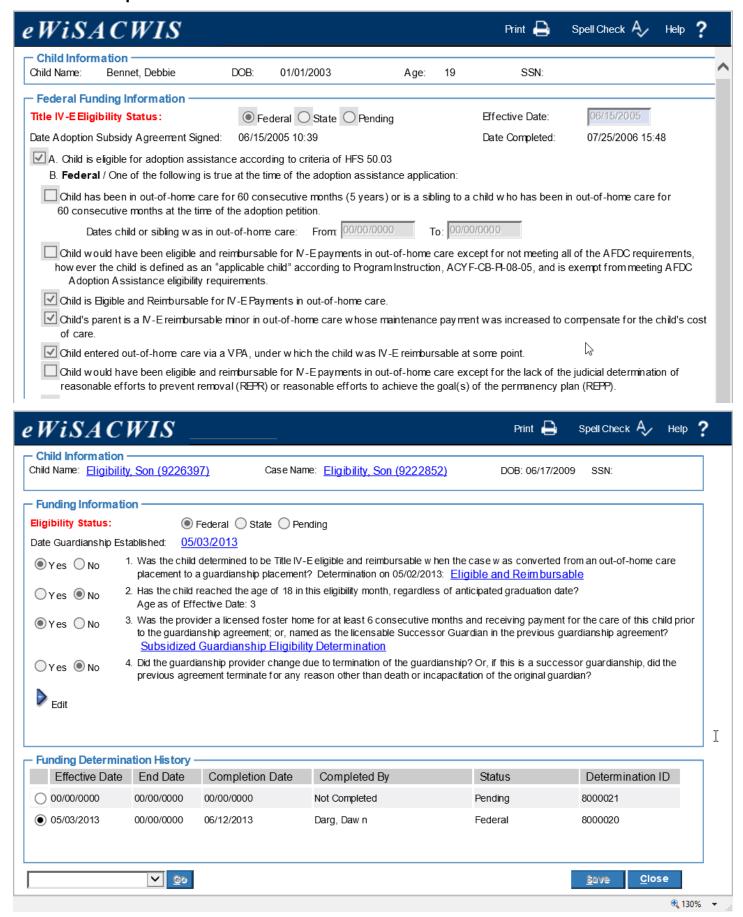
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ANICA CINIC FIALA	AFCARS	Element Name
eWiSACWIS Field	Element	
Legal Action, Legal Action Details group box		
Legal Action Initiated:	63	Termination of Parental Rights for First Parent
	64	Termination of Parental Rights for Second Parent
Legal Action, Legal Action Dates group box		
Filed:	65	Date of Petition for Termination of Parental Rights for First Parent
	66	Date of Petition for Termination of Parental Rights for Second Parent
Legal Status page, Legal Status Dates group box		
Legal Action:	n/a	n/a
Hearing/Legal Status Date:	67	Date of Termination of Parental Rights for First Parent
	68	Date of Termination of Parental Rights for Second Parent
	A17	Adoption Finalization or Guardianship Legalization Date

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### 3.17 Adoption Determination/SG Determination



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eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Title IV-E Eligibility Status or Eligibility Status:	185	Assistance Agreement Type
	A15	

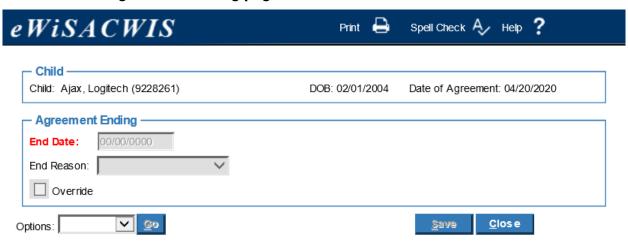
# 3.18 Adoption Assistance (AA) or Subsidized Guardianship (SG) Agreement page

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Case Participant:	Ajax, Logitech (9228261)	Date of Agreement:	04/20/2020		
Agreement Type:	Subsidized Guardianship Agreement 💙	Estimated End Date:	02/01/2022		
Provider Name:	Abby, Art (9222426)	Agreement Amount:	\$226.00		
		County:	Milw aukee	~	
Successor Guardian 1:	1	Successor Guardian 2:	2		
Supplemental Rate					
CANS Effective Date: 04/20/2	2020 Supplemental Points: 0	Suppleme	ntal Rate: \$0.00	0	
Payment Information ——					
Basic: \$226.00					
Supplemental: \$0.00					
Exceptional: \$0.00					
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eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Agreement Type: (SG only)	n/a	n/a
Agreement Amount:	A16	Adoption or Guardianship Subsidy Amount

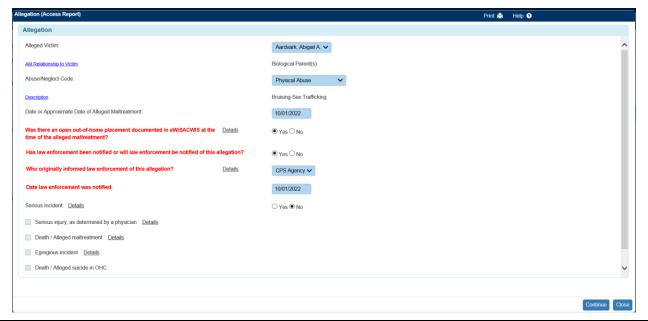
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# 3.19 AA or SG Agreement Ending page



eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
End Date:	A18	Agreement Termination Date

# 3.20 Allegation (Access/Assessment) page



eWiSACWIS Field	AFCARS Element	Element Name
Description hyperlink	106	Prior Victim of Sex Trafficking
Has law enforcement been notified or will law enforcement be notified of this allegation?	107	Prior Report to Law Enforcement
	110	Report to Law Enforcement for Current Victimization
Date law enforcement was notified:	108	Prior Date of Sex Trafficking Report to Law Enforcement
Date law emorcement was notified:	111	Date of Sex Trafficking Report to Law Enforcement

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Was there an open out-of-home placement	109	Victim of Sex Trafficking while in Foster
documented in eWiSACWIS at the time of the		Care
alleged maltreatment?		

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